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SUBJECT: KISSINGER MEETING WITH HUANG CHEN AUGUST 18

1. AS A MEANS OF MAINTAINING CONTACT, SECRETARY KISSINGER MET WITH PRC AMBASSADOR HUANG CHEN AUGUST 18 FOR GENERAL REVIEW. THE SECRETARY REVIEWED HIS RECENT TRIP TO IRAN, AFGHANISTAN, AND PAKISTAN, OUR OBJECTIVES IN SOUTH AFRICA, AND OUR OPPOSITION TO THE PARTICIPATION OF COMMUNIST PARTIES IN WEST EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS. THE PRESENTATION AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THESE MATTERS WAS ALONG FAMILIAR LINES.

2. THE MATTER OF SENATOR SCOTT'S VISIT TO CHINA AND HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH CHINESE LEADERS CAME UP. CLEARLY ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM PEKING, HUANG EMPHASIZED THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE PRC POSITION ON LIBERATION OF TAIWAN AS IT HAS BEEN STATED TO US BY CHINESE LEADERS IN THE PAST. HE AVOIDED VICE PREMIER CHANG'S BLUNT APPROACH, WITHOUT CONTRADICTING HIM, AND HE CLEARLY DID NOT WISH TO PURSUE THE MATTER AT LENGTH. HUANG'S PRESENTATION REFLECTED THE
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EXTENT TO WHICH THE PRC APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN REACTING TO

WHAT THEY CONSIDER TO BE AN ORCHESTRATED US ATTEMPT TO STRESS THE NEED FOR POST-NORMALIZATION ASSURANCES REGARDING TAIWAN SECURITY.

3. SINCE WE HAD LEARNED THE SAME DAY ABOUT THE NORTH KOREAN KILLING OF TWO US OFFICERS AT PANMUNJOM, THE SECRETARY ALSO MENTIONED KOREA, POINTING OUT THAT THE INCIDENT WAS A SERIOUS MATTER WHICH COULD HAVE GRAVE CONSEQUENCES IF RESTRAINT WERE NOT SHOWN. HUANG,WHO DID NOT HAVE INSTRUCTIONS, REFRAINED FROM ANY SIGNIFICANT RESPONSE.

4. HUANG HAD NO INFORMATION CONCERNING CHIAO'S PLANS FOR COMING TO THE UNGA.
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